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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

C O N F I D E N T I A L

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SUBJECT: Senate Hearing on Nuclear Proliferation

[redacted] advises that the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee (Subcommittee on Energy, Nuclear Proliferation and Government Processes, chaired by Senator Percy with members Durenberger, Cohen, Danforth, Glenn, Jackson, & Levin) has scheduled a hearing for 15 September 1983 ~~on~~ nuclear proliferation matters. Sen. Percy has written to Ambassador Kennedy, State Department (nuclear proliferation issues) requesting that certain materials be prepared for the hearing. State, in turn, has requested information from CIA [redacted] which finds Percy's letter confusing. They note that the Senator says "...the public record should be as complete as possible..." and suppose that an OPEN HEARING is intended although not so stated. The problem is, of course, that information supplied in response to the State request will be classified. Further, PCS would like to know whether the hearing transcript (if the hearing is closed) would be requested for public release after the fact.

Bill Strauss, Staff Director of the Subcommittee on Energy, et al, is away today but will return my call tomorrow. His office supposes, as do I, that the hearing will be OPEN.

cc: [redacted]